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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Legislative Matters

- 1. On this date I met with Colonel White for the weekly discussion of legislative business. Admiral Taylor was away on leave.
- 2. On the Russell letter of 30 November 1967, I suggested that we do nothing further except to indicate to Mr. Philbin that it does not appear that Senator Russell will take up the bill this year. On the other hand, on an informal basis, I suggested that I discuss the bill with Senators Jackson, Symington, Milton Young, and Margaret Chase Smith within the next few weeks with a view to raising it again early next year, soliciting their advice and guidance as to how to achieve an opportunity for the Agency to be heard on the bill before our Subcommittees.
- 3. Discussed the cable, IN 05200, from concerning the Hardy Codel. I explained that I had mentioned the travel of this group to the Director but they had indicated they wished nothing from us. (Subsequently, mentioned this to the Director and indicated I was going to send a follow-up cable to the DD/P cable to alert our stations to the detailed guidance provided by the military on this group.)
- 4. Discussed the case. Colonel White agreed that certainly we should not take any positive action. He thought I should simply advise Senator Jackson of the facts and that we do not feel there was any authority for the Agency to make further payments. (Subsequently discussed the case with the Director. He suggested that I talk with prior to talking with Senator Jackson.)

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- 5. Discussed the problem with Ben Gilleas and Stuart French on the staff of Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee relating to their requests for NIEs and other specially classified documents. It was agreed that I should discuss this with the Director. I did subsequently and the Director was firm that the Estimates should not be furnished.
- 6. Colonel White raised the question of having Representative David Henderson out before the holidays and I indicated we were probably out of business for a few days as Henderson is one of the conferees on the pay bill but we would try to establish this as soon as possible. Colonel White mentioned the possibility of a breakfast meeting or meeting Henderson on the Hill—whatever way would be more convenient to Henderson.
- 7. Discussed the most recent letter from the Joint Economic Committee to the Director indicating that this was simply a part of the continuing requirements and was really a part of the overall request mentioned in the earlier letter. It was agreed that we should go forward and I stated that no specific response was required.
- 8. I indicated that the constituent of Congresswoman Patsy Mink, involving a request on the Agency for access to a personal names study, in fact involved a contact with the Constituent deal directly with the DCS.
- 9. Advised that the high risk bill which had passed the Senate had been reported by the House Foreign Affairs Committee with informal approvals from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and that within the near future action on this item would be completed in the Congress.

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